General and Census Commissioner, India.

(c) The Ministry of Labour imple ments certain schemes for the wel fare of women labourers. These in clude grant-in-aid scheme under which financial assistance is provid ed to NGCs to take up action-orien ted programmes for skill develop- ment training or ganisation, of wo men workers and the child care scheme where support is provided for setting up creches/day care cen tres. Moreover, the women workers also benefit under other programmes aimed at employment and income generation for women. These in clude the support to training and employment projects (STEP), Train- ing-cum_Employment cum Production Centres (NORAD); Socio-Bcanomic Programme (SEP); Development of Women in Rural Areas (DWGRA) etc The Government actively monitors the implementation of these sche mes.

Pension to workers in industrial and consumer sector

49. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHAN- KER DAVE; Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state;

(a) whether there is any propo sal under Government's considera tion to grant Pension to all workers in be unorganised industrial and consumer sectors after they reach the age of sixty years;

(b) if so, what are the deails ' hereof; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in negative the measures propo-. sed to extend a pension scheme for the workers of unorganised indus trial and consumer sectors including Super Bazar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (c) There \ is no proposal to introduce a Pension Scheme exclusively for the workers in the unorganised industrial and consumer sectors. However, the Government has decided to introduce a Pension Scheme for all the workers including the workers in Super Bazar and other organised industrial and consumer Sectors covered under the EPF and MP Act, 1952. The pension scheme broadly provides for payment of monthly pension in the contingencies of retirement, super- annuation, death permanent total disablement etc." A Bill to amend the Act in order to enable the Government to introduce a pension already stands introduced in the Rajya Sabha.

Closure of industrial units in Madhya Pradesh

30. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of employees and laboured have been rendered unemployed due to the fact that a number of industrial units are either ly-iig closed or are on the verge of closure in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what is the number of such units and since when thest are being closed and what are he reashos for their closure;

(c) the efforts being made by Gov ernment to revive these industrial units;

(d) what is the number of such employees and whether any relief is provided to them from the Nation al Renewal Fund; and

.(e) if so the details therof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.